the inventory or tax computation records contain an error that resulted in an underpayment of tax, the dealer must file an additional tax return on which the dealer shows and pays the additional tax, interest and any applicable penalties.

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#### CLAIMS

### § 46.251 Payment of tax required.

Before the dealer can file a claim for refund, the dealer must have paid the floor stocks tax and subsequently determined that there was an overpayment of the tax.

### § 46.252 Claim based on error on return.

If the dealer overpaid tax due to an error on the return, the dealer may file a claim for refund. The claim must be filed within 3 years from the date the tax return was filed or 2 years from the time the tax was paid, whichever is later. The dealer's claim must be filed on TTB Form 2635 (5620.8). The claim must include detailed and sufficient evidence explaining why the dealer believes the tax was overpaid. The claim and supporting documentation must be mailed or delivered to the address shown on the form.

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# § 46.253 Destruction of articles by a Presidentially-declared major disaster.

After the dealer has paid the floor stocks tax, the dealer may file a claim for refund of tax on articles lost, rendered unmarketable, or condemned because of a Presidentially-declared major disaster. Subpart C of this part prescribes the time, evidence, and procedures for filing such a claim.

### § 46.254 Additional reasons for filing a claim.

- (a) Manufacturer. Subparts I and K of part 40 of this chapter prescribe the times, reasons and procedures for filing other claims for refunds.
- (b) Export warehouse proprietor. Subpart G of part 44 of this chapter prescribes the time, evidence, and proce-

dures for filing other claims for refunds.

- (c) Exported taxpaid. If taxpaid articles are shipped from the United States, the dealer may file a claim for drawback of taxes under subpart K of part 44 of this chapter.
- (d) *Importer*. An importer may follow the procedures for filing a claim as set forth in subpart I of part 41 of this chapter.

ALTERNATE METHODS OR PROCEDURES

## § 46.261 Purpose of an alternate method or procedure.

For purposes of this subpart, an alternate method or procedure is a different way of meeting a requirement imposed by this subpart. An alternate method or procedure must be approved in writing by TTB.

### § 46.262 Application.

The dealer seeking approval of an alternate method or procedure under this subpart must apply in writing to the National Revenue Center, 550 Main Street, Room 8002, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202–5215. The dealer must describe the alternate method or procedure and reasons the dealer wishes to use it. The dealer cannot use the alternate method until the dealer receives written approval from the appropriate TTB officer.

### § 46.263 Conditions for approval.

The alternate method or procedure may be approved if it meets all of the following conditions:

- (a) There is good cause for its use;
- (b) It is consistent with the purpose and effect intended by the prescribed method or procedure;
- (c) It affords equivalent security to the revenue;
- (d) It is not contrary to any provision of law;
- (e) It will not result in an increase in cost to the Government;
- (f) It will not hinder the effective administration of this subpart such as delaying timely payment of taxes; and
- (g) It is not a method or procedure that relates to the payment or collection of tax.